

# 2023 USA SOFTBALL MEN'S D NORTHERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP – RUEGER PARK, TOPEKA, KANSAS

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## Tournament Schedule

<b>TEAM PRACTICE</b>	Contact Noah Madryga at <a href="mailto:noah.madryga@snco.com">noah.madryga@snco.com</a> for team practice fields for Friday, September 1, 2023.
<b>MANAGER'S MEETING</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. - Friday, September 1, 2023</b> Location: Springhill Suites Meeting Room
<b>TEAM CHECK-IN</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. - Friday, September 1, 2023</b> Location: Springhill Suites Meeting Room
<b>BAT TESTING</b>	<b>Friday, September 1, 2023</b> Location: Details TBD
<b>TOURNAMENT PLAY</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. Start time on Saturday, September 2, 2023</b> Location: Rueger Park Softball Complex <b>9:00 a.m. Start time on Sunday, September 3, 2023</b> Location: Rueger Park Softball Complex



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## Rules and Regulations

<b>OFFICIAL RULES</b>	All playing rules and regulations shall be governed by the <i>USA Official Rules of Softball, 2023 Edition</i> .
<b>FORMAT</b>	Three game-guarantee bracket play.
<b>GAME TIMES</b>	The game times will be listed on the official tournament bracket. Teams need to be prepared to play 30 minutes prior to the assigned time. Failure to do so may result in a forfeit.
<b>DUGOUTS</b>	The team at the top of the bracket will use the first base dugout. The team at the bottom of the bracket will use the third base dugout (unless the team remains from previous game).
<b>LINE-UP CARDS</b>	An official line-up card must be submitted to the Official Scorekeeper at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled game, at the coin toss, to determine the home team. The coin toss shall be completed by the Tournament Directors.
<b>RUN RULE</b>	A “run rule” of 20 after three innings, 15 after four innings, or 10 after five innings shall be in effect (USA Rule 5, Section 9).
<b>DRESS CODE</b>	Players on a team shall properly wear uniforms that are alike in color, trim, and style, with numbers that are easily visible and non-repeating. (USA Rule 3, Section 6, A-G). Coaches must be neatly attired and dressed alike or in a team uniform in accordance with the color code of the team.
<b>CONDUCT</b>	Managers and coaches are expected to have complete control of their players both on and off the playing field in accordance with the USA Official Rules of Softball, 2023 Edition.
<b>PROTESTS</b>	The tournament committee will rule on all protests. Proper protest procedures are included in USA Rule 9.



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## Rules and Regulations (Cont'd)

### INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather, the game must be resumed at the exact point where it was suspended. It is the manager's responsibility to report to the Tournament Director for rescheduling information.

In the event the tournament cannot be completed within the scheduled time frame, the official order of finish will be determined in accordance with Article 310 of the *USA Procedural Code*.

